

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING  
TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2017  
5:00 PM**

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**Present:** James Crawford, Susan Molenaar, Harold Pfotenhauer, Karen Sanchez, Richard Schadewald, Jay Tibbetts, Joe Van Deurzen

**Excused:** None.

**Staff Present:** Eric Pritzl, Anna Destree, Rob Gollman, Ann Steinberger, Andrea Kressin, Rocio Quevedo, Patti Zich (minutes recorder)

**1. Call to Order, Welcome, and Introductions**

Chairman Richard Schadewald called the meeting to order.

**2. Approval / Modification of the Agenda**

**MOTION:** To approve agenda.

Van Deurzen / Crawford

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**Approval of Minutes of meeting of May 2, 2017**

**MOTION:** To hold the approval of the minutes from May 2, 2017 for one month  
Crawford / Sanchez

**3. Comments from the Public**

None.

**4. Licensing late fee and enforcement fee appeals discussion.**

Rob Gollman stated for the 2017-2018 licensing season, there may be 2 or 3 individuals appealing the late fees this season. Chairman Schadewald would like notice for appeals put on the next Board of Health agenda. On July 17, 2017, establishments who have not paid their license fees, late fee, and penalties will have their establishments placarded and potentially closed due to non-payment.

**5. Environmental Division Update**

Rob Gollman stated we have 32 unpaid establishments and 1600+ licenses are being processed currently. Rob stated we had three odor complaints, two of which were Sanimax.

**6. Nursing Division Update**

Ann Steinberger stated the Board of Supervisors approved the resolution for state funding for communicable disease control. There are 53 counties and cities that have passed this resolution in support of this funding. Currently, communicable disease funding is part of the State budget, with the inclusion of \$500,000 per year. This resolution needs to be voted on by the House, legislators, and the Governor, before it is signed into law.

Ann Steinberger submitted a nursing report and highlighted our mass/school based clinics in August and October which we are targeting the 6<sup>th</sup> graders for Tdap. Ann stated in Minnesota they currently have 78 cases of measles and no known cases in Wisconsin. Our Tuberculosis index person has been released from isolation. She was in isolation for three months and will need a minimum of 12 months of treatment which will be in March of 2018.

Anna Destree stated there were two crows which tested positive for West Nile virus. Once we get a positive result the Health Department surveillance ends. A press release will go out through the Executive's Office in collaboration with the Brown County Public Health Division, the De Pere Health Department, and Oneida Community Health Center on how to reduce risk. Anna stated there are no human cases reported.

Mr. Crawford questioned if our health department is notified by the CDC of all bacteria cases. Ann states it depends on what type or organism they cultured out. There are several that are not reportable to public health.

**7. Health Officer's Report.**

Anna Destree reported the Community Engagement Division is operational. She introduced, Andrea Schultz (Kressin) as the Community Engagement Manager, allowing Andrea Kressin to introduce herself.

Anna stated we will be doing some strategic planning to help solidify how community engagement fits into public health. Anna Destree shared the 2016 Annual Report which has been changed from previous years.

**8. Receive new information on wind turbines – standing item.**

Nate Johnson, 6080 Glenmore Road, Denmark, WI. Nate submitted a binder entitled "Wind Turbine Health Study's" which included the following:

- *Wind Turbines and Health, A Critical Review of the Scientific Literature, McCunney, et al, JOEM, Volume 56, Number 11, November 2014*
- *The Pattern of Complaints about Australian Wind Farms Does not Match the Establishment and Distribution of Turbines: Support for the Psychogenic, "Communicated Disease" Hypothesis, Chapman, et al, PLOS ONE, Volume 8, Issue 10 e76584, October 2013*
- *The Potential Health Impact of Wind Turbines, Chief Medical Officer of Health (CMOH) Report, May 2010*
- *Wind Turbine Health Impact Study: Report of Independent Expert Panel, January 2012, Prepared for: Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, Massachusetts Department of Public Health*
- *AMA Position Statement, Australian Medical Association (AMA) Wind Farms and Health 2014*
- *Summary of main conclusions reached in 25 reviews of the research literature on wind farms and Health, Chapman, et al, Updated April 10, 2015*
- *Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment (Excessive Noise from Wind Farms) Bill 2012, Environment and Communications Legislation Committee, November 2012*
- *Position Statement, Healthy Energy Solutions for Ontario, Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario (RNAO), Final March 2, 2012*
- *Health effects and wind turbines: A Review of the literature, Knopper, et al Knopper and Ollson Environmental Health 2011, 10:78*
- *Health Effects of Wind Turbines, Position Statement, Doctors for the Environment Australia, Douglas, et al, December 2014*
- *Climate and Health Alliance, Position Statement, Health and Wind Turbines, February 2012*
- *Wind Turbines and Health, Fortin, et al, National Collaborating Centre for Environmental Health, February 2013*
- *Fomenting sickness; nocebo priming of residents about expected wind turbine health harms, Chapman, et al, Frontiers in Public Health, Volume 2, Article 279, December 2014*

Mr. Crawford asked Nate if Duke Energy was endorsing these as good valid studies and Mr. Johnson answered yes.

Mr. Schadewald stated the Human Services Committee has asked the Board of Health to agree to a joint meeting on Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup> for presentations by regarding wind turbines from the State, Duke Energy and Dr. Coussons. The Board of Health meeting on September 12<sup>th</sup> will start at 5:00 PM and the wind turbine presentation and question panel will begin at 5:30 PM

Mr. Schadewald will organize the presentation. Questions will be on cards and they will be answered by the respective parties. The motivation behind this is information gathering.

There was a request to have questions provided prior to the meeting so the presenter has the most

relevant and up to date information. These questions should be given to Richard Schadewald, Anna Destree or Patti Zich via email.

**9. Correspondence**

None.

**10. All Other Business Authorized by Law**

Mr. Schadewald was approached by a Board Member that should meetings run late, there should be supervision in the parking lot as people exit the building.

Mr. Crawford asked about new building plans. Erik Pritzl indicated we are not any further ahead than we were before. We have plans in terms of who could go where and we have identified the number of staff and the physical places. As far as an engineering study on the lab, that has not been initiated. We are still a number of months out from any move or physical change to Sophie Beaumont. Mr. Pritzl stated they are looking at the CTC and what they are doing out. If we would put a one stop crisis center there, we would look at changes and that may be an opportunity to make the correct changes to the lab there.

Karen Sanchez asked if we got any response about the fluoride correspondence. Mr. Schadewald indicated the woman asked us a question. Anna indicated the woman wanted to know what authority the Board of Health had to make such a letter. Mr. Schadewald indicated he has not responded.

Jim Crawford indicated that Brennan is dredging 12 feet of PCB. Jim indicates the fish are getting clean. He believes it is a health issue as it affects the whole county. He would like to get an overview from the contractors or parties to see how it is going. Mr. Schadewald questioned whether it was a community health issue and Jim Crawford stated it affects fisherman of Brown County and it is an environmental issue. Mr. Schadewald said he would talk to the County. He believes there are other committees involved and he will explore it. Rob Gollman indicated Public Health Department's involvement starts and ends with fish advisory signs we post at various spots in the lower Bay and the river access points. Rob Gollman stated we work with the Department of Health Services on updating the signage. Mr. Schadewald will talk with the DNR as they may be the agency that handles this request.

**11. Adjournment / Next Meeting Schedule**

MOTION: To adjourn meeting at 5:32 PM

Van Deurzen / Sanchez

MOTION CARRIED

**NEXT MEETING: September 12, 2017 5:00 PM – location to be determined**